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The Weather.
Forecast for Friday and Saturday: Kentucky—Fair Friday and probably Saturday.
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Indiana—Fair Friday and Saturday, except rain in north portion; fresh northeast to east winds.

THE LATEST.

Representative Charles A. Towne, of New York, delivered a notable speech yesterday in the House. Mr. Towne was in splendid voice and the Democrats applauded him to the echo. His strictures on the President were received with continued applause on the Democratic side, and when he read the President out of the Democratic party the minority applauded. Mr. Dalzell, who followed Mr. Towne, spoke in favor of "letting well enough alone," his speech being enthusiastically applauded by the Republicans.

More sensational testimony was brought out yesterday in the trial in Kansas City of George H. Crosby, traffic manager of the Burlington railway; George L. Thomas, of New York, a freight broker, and L. B. Targart, a clerk, on a charge of conspiracy. Members of half a dozen large business firms testified to receiving thousands of dollars in commissions from mysterious sources.

The continuation of the Interstate Commerce Commission's investigation into the methods of the Standard Oil Company was begun at Cleveland yesterday. C. A. Prouty and Judson C. Clements were the only members of the commission present. Several witnesses testified as to Standard Oil methods of crushing competition.

The Quarantine Bill, carrying with it an appropriation of \$500,000 for use in fighting yellow fever in the South, probably will not be reached in Congress this term, as the Conference Committee has adjourned subject to the call of the chairman. The bill is opposed by the Texas delegation.

In the Northern Presbyterian Assembly at Des Moines, Ia., yesterday Moderator Corbett officially announced the union of the Cumberland and Northern Presbyterian Churches. The question of union was adopted in the form of a resolution, only two votes being recorded in the negative.

The Senate yesterday passed the so-called free Alcohol Bill as it was reported from the Committee on Finance. The bill has already passed the House and amendments which the Senate has adopted do not materially change its scope. It does not go into effect until January 1, 1907.

The drought in the Bluegrass section of Kentucky is becoming serious, and experts say unless rain falls within a short time crops will be greatly damaged. Others take a more optimistic view and declare that the loss will not be great.

Three tobacco plant beds were destroyed near Hopkinsville yesterday morning. A meeting of the victims was held and a reward fund of \$600 raised. The Dark Tobacco Association will assist in the effort to apprehend the guilty party or parties.

A meeting of the Third District Republican Committee has been called, to be held at Bowling Green on June 6, at which time a date for the convention to nominate a candidate for Congress will be fixed. Two candidates have already announced.

A victory by one vote was recorded for Dr. W. E. Caldwell, of Fort Worth, Texas, yesterday in the case involving indirectly the charges of heresy against him before the General Assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church at Greenville, S. C.

An earthquake shock was felt at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at West Weir, Utah, four miles west of Ogden. Buildings were shaken and much excitement prevailed, but there was no damage.

By a decision of the Court of Appeals yesterday tank lines will be required to pay taxes on franchises, the court holding that such lines come within the provisions of the statute.

The annual convocation of the Knights Templar of Kentucky came to an end in Paris yesterday, with the election of officers. The meeting was one of the largest ever held.

Investigation of the Fertilizer Trust at Nashville was completed yesterday by the Federal grand jury after 130 witnesses had been examined. The cost will be \$7,500.

BOUND AND SUBMISSIVE

Roosevelt Walks By Chariot of His Conqueror.

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THE QUESTION OF VERACITY.

Washington, May 24.—[Special.]—The speech of the session in the House was delivered by Representative Charles A. Towne, of New York, today. He spoke upon the general question of policy, covering a wide range, outlining forcefully the issues between the Republican party and the Democracy. His time being extended, he spoke for nearly two and a half hours, and at the conclusion of his speech every Democrat in the House and many Republicans shook hands with him. He emphasized the issue raised upon the tariff question and the delinquencies of the Republican party due to its control by influences upon which it depends for success and from which it cannot be divorced, though these influences are in conflict with the interests of the great mass of American people.

He pointed out particularly that the abuses of the present tariff system could not be excused or covered by the pretense that to attempt a correction was to enter into absolute free trade. He contended that the issue was not between protection and free trade, and the evils of the protective system could not be disguised by crying free trade where the contention as opposed to the protective system in force was for fair dealing and free opportunity for all the people. He said that the Republican party had ceased to represent the people and had become the instrument of confederated selfishness. The reaction from this consideration of selfish interests, he said, tended dangerously in the direction of socialism and the Democratic party stood firmly between the tyranny of monopoly on the one side and the dangers of anarchy on the other; that the party stood for the inviolability of private property and the defense of individual liberty.

Demand For Revision.
He said that there was a demand throughout the country for a revision of the tariff and that the Republican party had definitely decided to disregard this demand, while the Democratic party proposed to undertake the work of doing the justice which the people demanded.

Speaking of the impossibility of a Republican President accomplishing what was in conflict with the fundamental characteristics of his party, he said that Roosevelt seemed for a time to be, and might have been, and continued to be, above the trammels of mere party allegiance, with the power to direct his own party through his ability to command a Democratic alliance, but this power he had thrown away as an essential consequence of his party environment and the inability of one man to resist the power of the party which places him in authority. In consequence, he said, of the phenomenal popular vote by which Roosevelt was elected he seemed to regard himself as vested by a sort of plebiscite as the immediate and supreme representative of the people, nearer to them than even the Representatives in the House. This commanding attitude allowed him to choose his allies from either party and to hold the Republican machine in check by the power to secure Democratic support.

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This unique position of power he seemed at first to realize and might have indefinitely preserved it, if he had possessed the qualities he was supposed to possess. But at the critical moment he deserted his allies, both Democrats and Republicans, including his own Attorney General, without notice, and surrendered unconditionally to the chief manipulator of the Republican machine. Now he walked, bound and submissive to his chains, by the wheels of the imperial chariot of his insolent conqueror, the Duke of Rhode Island.

Mr. Towne also controverted the claims of the Republicans that all panics and hard times prevailed when the Democrats held power. He read statistics from 1889 to 1893 to prove his statement. He also paid his respects to Representative Landis, of Indiana, and exploded his assertions that American made goods could not be bought cheaper abroad than at home. In fact, Mr. Towne made some telling points and his speech will make a splendid campaign document. Towne is not only a talker from Tammany, but makes a forcible, sensible and logical argument. It will be remembered that he left the Republican party because he could not agree with it on the tariff question, stating that at the time a high protectionist was one of the party's policies.

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BY A SINGLE VOTE

Dr. Caldwell Wins Out in Harey Trial in Greenville.

Greenville, S. C., May 24.—A victory by one vote was recorded for Dr. W. E. Caldwell, of Fort Worth, Tex., today in the case involving indirectly the charges of heresy against him. This hearing which was begun on Tuesday, was continued today with a dozen or more speeches for and against the plaintiff and when a motion was made that a vote be taken, objection was made, but that was overruled, and the call of the roll was ordered. This resulted in seventy-nine votes being cast to sustain the complaint of the session of the First Presbyterian church of Fort Worth and of Dr. Caldwell against the action of the Synod of Texas and of the Presbytery of Fort Worth. Eighty-nine votes were cast against sustaining the complaint and eleven votes for sustaining in part, giving a majority of one vote to the complainant.

The assembly at the afternoon session directed the sending to the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, U. S., of the following resolutions: Resolutions: We regret your impression that we have charged your Home Mission Board with making a motion to authorize financial inducements to churches to change ecclesiastical relations. We did not make such a motion. We had hoped important investigation might be made of statements that it had been done by workers in the field and if found true a remedy sought.

A majority and a minority report from the Committee on Closer Relations and the Articles of Agreement were adopted. The following resolutions were adopted: The committee on the trial of the complaint of Dr. S. S. Lave against the Synod of Virginia.

On Way to Des Moines.

St. Louis, May 24.—A large delegation of Cumberland Presbyterians passed through here tonight en route to Des Moines, to bear greetings to the Presbyterian Assembly there. It was headed by Moderator Landrith and State Clerk Hubbert. Others were Dr. W. J. Darby, Evansville, Ind.; Prof. W. P. Bone, Rev. W. Brinkley and Hon. E. E. Beard, Tennessee; Rev. J. C. Smith and Rev. S. S. Kirk, Texas; Rev. W. J. Fisher and Rev. J. W. Mount, California; Rev. W. L. Darby, Knoxville, Mo.; and Judge S. F. Stahl, Arkansas.

Cumberland Assembly Adjourns.

Deatur, Ill., May 24.—At the Cumberland General Assembly a telegram was received to-day from the Presbyterian General Assembly announcing that the report on union had been adopted. The Cumberland assembly adjourned almost immediately after the message was received and the business being an informal announcement.

LOUISVILLE WANTS BISHOP

Effort To Have Dr. Tigert Move To Native City.

Leading Methodists May Buy Him a Home.

Great Things Expected of Dr. W. F. McMurtry.

LEADER IN THE FAITH.

Leading Louisville Methodists of the Southern branch want Bishop J. J. Tigert to make Louisville his home. As soon as he was elected to the Bishopric a movement to have him come to Louisville was suggested and it is likely that a fund will be started to buy a home for him.

When Bishop Morrison was offered a home in New Orleans the Louisville Methodists started to buy a home for him to keep him in this city, but his health was such here that he did not encourage the movement.

It is thought fitting that Bishop Tigert come to Louisville since he was born here and received his first religious training in this city.

John L. Wheat, who has returned as a delegate from the Methodist convention to Birmingham, said last night that Louisville has the right to dispute with Nashville the title of "the hub of Southern Methodism." A former Louisville man and a member of the Louisville Conference was the first choice for Bishop in the person of Dr. J. J. Tigert. Dr. Gross Alexander, presiding elder of this district, was elected book editor and editor of the "Quarterly Review," and Dr. W. W. Pinson, pastor of the Broadway church, was elected assistant secretary of the Missionary Board.

While Louisville lost heavily by the action of the conference, there are some compensating gains. In the first place, it is probable that the local ministers will be allowed to remain here to fill out their conference year, and it will not devolve on Bishop Hendrix to appoint substitutes to fill out their unexpired terms.

Louisville will gain one of the most distinguished leaders of the church and one who received a large vote for bishop at this session, in the person of Dr. W. F. McMurtry, of St. Louis, who was elected corresponding secretary of the Board of Church Extension. This distinguished minister is now pastor of the Centenary church, St. Louis, and has been the most prominent appointments in the State of Missouri. He will come to Louisville next week to assume his new duties, and will probably return to St. Louis each Sunday till his successor is appointed by the next conference.

Louisville continues the headquarters of the Church Extension Board, and T. L. Jefferson, of this city, was elected president of the board. John C. Strother, who is prominent in Methodist circles, was given a place on the new board. Much pressure was brought to bear by outside churches to get representation on this board and consequently Louisville's representation was cut down one.

Mr. Wheat said also last night that Louisville Methodism was very fortunate in securing such a man as Dr. McMurtry to take charge of the extension work.

"He is the son of a Methodist preacher and a man eminently qualified for his new duties, and judging from his past success we will expect great results to be accomplished under his secretaryship."

"This was the most harmonious session of the General Conference that I ever attended. There was only one question on which it seemed that the members were going to divide, and that was the question of removing the time limit of the pastorate. Those in favor of this radical change in Methodist economy seemed very strong at first, but after the discussion of the question was started their ranks began to weaken and the opposition won by an overwhelming majority."

FRANKFORT MAN GETS GOOD POSITION.

Huntsville, Ala., May 24.—(Special.)—H. B. Avis, of Frankfort, Ky., has been appointed manager of the Huntsville office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, succeeding George Gilbert, who has been in charge here during the last three weeks as temporary manager. Mr. Gilbert has returned to Nashville.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY SURGEONS

Elect Dr. M. F. Coomes, of Louisville, Vice President.

Charleston, S. C., May 24.—The Association of Surgeons of the Southern Railway to-day elected Washington as its headquarters. The following officers were elected: President, H. C. Toombs, Greenville, S. C.; Vice President, M. F. Coomes, Louisville, Ky.; Secretary, M. F. Coomes, Louisville, Ky.; Treasurer, J. U. Ray, Woodstock, Ala.; Executive Committee—One year, E. R. Gobbel, English, Ind.; five years, W. H. Harper, Louisville, Ky. The convention will conclude to-night.

Ground of Contest Filed Against School Election.

Franklin, Ky., May 24.—(Special.)—George H. Patterson and several other large taxpayers have filed an injunction suit against W. J. Gooch and trustees to prevent the legality of the graded school election, held in this city May 12. The grounds of contest are the officers of the election's refusal to allow forty-seven women to vote against the school.

Gus Coulter No Better.

Mayfield, Ky., May 24.—(Special.)—The physicians say that Gus Coulter is no better. He rallied a little yesterday, but he has not improved. He is still in a critical condition.

No. 145. Not Good After June 1, 1906.

Tour to Europe Ballot.

This Ballot Will Count One (1) Vote

For

Dist. No. Address

County State

When fully filled out and received at Courier-Journal office, by mail or otherwise, on or before expiration date shown above, Not good after that date. Void if name voted for has not been properly nominated. No ballot will be altered in any way, or transferred, after received by the Courier-Journal.

UNLESS THIS BALLOT IS TRIMMED CAREFULLY AROUND THE BLACK LINES, IT WILL NOT BE COUNTED.

BATTLE OF BALLOTS

THE PROPOSITION.

The Courier-Journal proposes to send to Europe for a four lasting seven weeks twenty young women, all expenses to be paid by the Courier-Journal. Nineteen of these young women will come from the nineteen districts named below, the one receiving the largest number of votes in each district being the successful one. In addition, one candidate receiving the largest number of votes cast, regardless of district, will also be sent to Europe. Special ballots issued about June 2. No special ballot is issued for paid-in-advance subscriptions. Special ballots issued about June 2. No special ballot is issued for paid-in-advance subscriptions. Special ballots issued about June 2. No special ballot is issued for paid-in-advance subscriptions.

To protect all candidates, and to be fair to everyone, the Courier-Journal has decided to issue no special ballots on subscriptions, new or renewal, for a term extending beyond December 31, 1907. Subscriptions may be renewed or paid in advance beyond that date if desired, but ballots will only be issued for the time up to December 31, 1907. In sending renewals or extensions, be careful to learn the time of present expiration, and figure the number of votes you are entitled to from expiration date to December 31, 1907, on the basis given below.

JUNE 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$8.00 1,000
Daily only, six months	\$4.00 500
Daily only, three months	\$2.00 250
Daily only, one month	\$1.00 125
Daily only, one week	\$0.20 25
Daily only, one day	\$0.05 5

JULY 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$12.00 1,500
Daily only, six months	\$6.00 750
Daily only, three months	\$3.00 375
Daily only, one month	\$1.50 187
Daily only, one week	\$0.30 37
Daily only, one day	\$0.07 7

AUGUST 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$15.00 1,875
Daily only, six months	\$7.50 937
Daily only, three months	\$3.75 468
Daily only, one month	\$1.87 234
Daily only, one week	\$0.37 46
Daily only, one day	\$0.09 9

SEPTEMBER 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$18.00 2,250
Daily only, six months	\$9.00 1,125
Daily only, three months	\$4.50 562
Daily only, one month	\$2.25 281
Daily only, one week	\$0.45 56
Daily only, one day	\$0.11 11

OCTOBER 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$20.00 2,500
Daily only, six months	\$10.00 1,250
Daily only, three months	\$5.00 625
Daily only, one month	\$2.50 312
Daily only, one week	\$0.50 62
Daily only, one day	\$0.12 12

NOVEMBER 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$22.00 2,750
Daily only, six months	\$11.00 1,375
Daily only, three months	\$5.50 687
Daily only, one month	\$2.75 343
Daily only, one week	\$0.55 68
Daily only, one day	\$0.13 13

DECEMBER 1, 1906, TO DECEMBER 31, 1907.

Daily and Sunday	Price, Votes
Daily only, one year	\$24.00 3,000
Daily only, six months	\$12.00 1,500
Daily only, three months	\$6.00 750
Daily only, one month	\$3.00 375
Daily only, one week	\$0.60 75
Daily only, one day	\$0.14 14

Another good vote is cast this morning, but no changes occur in positions. Contestants are paying more attention to single ballots cut from the paper, realizing that every vote counts now. In sending in single ballots, contestants are cautioned to watch the dates carefully. Ballots on which dates have expired are invariably thrown out, and when many of this kind come from one candidate the contesters get the impression that such candidate is not acting fairly.

Candidates who sent in more than 1,000 for to-day's count were Miss Bessie Cox, of District No. 12, and Miss Lillian Anderson, of No. 16.

Rush in orders for the cash prize competition. Remember that ballots must be forwarded to subscriber or candidate, to be filled out and returned.

Mr. Kate S. Bohannon, of District No. 18, asks that her name be withdrawn as a candidate. On account of other important matters, Mrs. Bohannon finds that she has not time to make a winning canvass. It is quite probable that Mrs. Bohannon will make other arrangements, and be one of the special guests with the Courier-Journal's party.

SUBSCRIPTION RATES.

Contestants and their friends and readers generally will save themselves worry and loss of time and the Courier-Journal much trouble and needless correspondence if they will observe the subscription rates set forth below. In every case subscriptions must be paid in advance, in full, or no ballots will be issued.

For the largest vote \$100.00

For the second largest 50.00

For the third largest 40.00

For the fourth largest 30.00

For the fifth largest 20.00

For the sixth largest 10.00

Total \$250.00

In case of a tie, prizes will not be divided, but each contestant in the tie will be given the same cash prize.

Every contestant, irrespective of district or position in the battle, can compete for these prizes. The money goes to the ones who send in THE LARGEST NUMBER OF VOTES TO BE COUNTED IN THE TIME SPECIFIED. If you are holding back subscription orders rush them in at once, so that ballots may be forwarded to be filled out and returned in time to vote them in this cash competition.

Remember the dates: From noon Wednesday, May 30, to noon Wednesday, June 6. The vote as printed in the Courier-Journal, Thursday, May 31, and Thursday, June 7, will be the basis on which decision will be made.

\$250 IS WORTH WORKING FOR.

ALL ABOARD

For the Courier-Journal's Free Tour to Europe.

A GREAT POPULARITY CONTEST

TWENTY YOUNG WOMEN TO GO ABOARD FOR A SEVEN WEEKS' TRIP AT

THE VOTE.

Below will be found the vote cast up to noon Thursday in the Courier-Journal's Tour to Europe Popularity Contest.

DISTRICT NO. 1.

All territory east of Shelby street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Elsie F. Muir, 112 Waverley avenue, 158,678

Miss Bertha Sussan, 1336 Halderman avenue, 39,337

Miss Beatrice Thompson, 1224 East Breckinridge street, 534

DISTRICT NO. 2.

All territory from the west side of Shelby street to the east side of Floyd street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Myrtle Jenkins, 320 East St. Catherine street, 188,063

Miss Thelma, 905 Preston street, 1,048

DISTRICT NO. 3.

All territory from the west side of Floyd street to the east side of Garvin street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Nora Kiroh, 1231 Second street, 157,685

Mrs. Robert Hunter, 1216 First street, 782

DISTRICT NO. 4.

All territory from the west side of Garvin street to the east side of St. James street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Beattie Hunter, 1408 Sixth street, 31,425

Miss Grace Pollock, 1962 Sixth street, 3,928

Miss Anna Shober, 625 West Broadway, 1,382

DISTRICT NO. 5.

All territory from the west side of St. James street to the east side of Twelfth street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Annabel Adams, 1214 West Jefferson street, 37,334

Miss Maggie Kaufman, 716 Eighteenth street, 389

DISTRICT NO. 6.

All territory from the west side of Twelfth street to the east side of Eighteenth street, from the river on the north to the city limits on the south—Louisville.

Miss Alice L. Kohler, 2300 Magazine street, 202,322

Miss Molly E. Schifman, 2506 Magazine street, 175,082

Miss Mattie Bradshaw, 2605 High street, 17,289

Miss Virginia M. Cleveland, 222 Twenty-fourth street, 5,079

Miss Florence Carothers, 2707 Cypress street, 1,214

Miss Lila Halbach, 2225 May street, 229

DISTRICT NO. 7.

All of Jefferson county outside the city limits of Louisville, Jefferson county, Ky.

Miss Sallie Ewing, St. Matthews, Jefferson county, Ky., 148,850

Miss Bertha Schack, Bardonia road, Duker and Baxter avenues (with C. C. Lewis), 144,129

Miss Anna Meyer, Beechel, Jefferson county, Ky., 45,561

Miss Minnie Dickel, Jeffersonton, Ky., 15,547

Miss Anna Marquis, Reservoir Park, Jefferson county, Ky., 461

DISTRICT NO. 8.

Jeffersonton and Clark county, Ind.

Miss Anna Schwann, Jeffersonton, Ind., 132,935

Miss Lillian B. Deuser, Charles-town, Clark county, Ind., 91,240

Miss Ed Craig, Jeffersonton, Ind., 80,779

Miss Holland Drosta, 429 Locust street, Jeffersonton, Ind., 14,679

DISTRICT NO. 9.

New Albany and Floyd county, Ind.

Miss Mary M. Mouty, New Albany, Ind., 118,970

Miss Katie Borgerding, 719 East Market street, New Albany, Ind., 144,129

Miss Anna Schmitt, 202 McLaine avenue, New Albany, Ind., 4,054

DISTRICT NO. 10.

Eleven counties: Caldwell, Callaway, Crittendon, Harrison, Hopkins, Livingston, Lyon, Marshall, McCracken, Union and Webster, Mo.

Miss Celeste Kourou, Madisonville, Hopkins county, Ky., 71,099

Miss Mattie Reeves, Mayfield, Graves county, Ky., 31,592

Mrs. Fannie Walker, Marion, Crittendon county, Ky., 30,596

Miss Eleanor Wright, Mayfield, Graves county, Ky., 29,751

Miss Blanche Robertson, Eddyville, Lyon county, Ky., 15,742

Miss Leona Coffman, Slighville, Livingston county, Ky., 14,387

Miss O. E. Landrum, Smithland, Livingston county, Ky., 12,752

DISTRICT NO. 11.

Four counties: Butler, Christian, Todd and Trigg.

Miss Maud Miller, Elkton, Todd county, Ky., 205,870

Miss Hattie Felstein, Hopkinsville, Christian county, Ky., 75,218

Miss W. A. Radford, Pembroke, Christian county, Ky., 41,959

Miss Thelma L. Moore, Elkton, Todd county, Ky., 18,924

Miss Thelma Ward, Morgantown, Butler county, Ky., 10,310

Miss Mattie Sue Brown, Hopkinsville, Christian county, Ky., 7,150

DISTRICT NO. 12.

Six counties: Breckinridge, Hancock, Logan, Muhlenberg, Meigs and Owen.

Miss Mattie L. Christian, Russellville, Logan county, Ky., 82,967

Miss Beattie Cox, Union, Meigs county, Ky., 70,768

Miss Mary Bennett, Hartford, Ohio county, Ky., 29,505

Miss Mary Helm, Auburn, Ohio county, Ky., 23,958

Miss Katherine Nunan, South Carroll, Muhlenberg county, Ky., 18,872

Miss Vivian De Foyter, Dunmore, Muhlenberg county, Ky., 16,909

Miss Annie May Yates, Greenville, Muhlenberg county, Ky., 6,171

Miss Annie Gruney, Greenville, Muhlenberg county, Ky., 5,724

DISTRICT NO. 13.

Five counties: Bullitt, Edmonson, Grayson, Hardin and Meade.

Miss Frances Smith, Bardonia, Hardin county, Ky., 176,989

Miss Ora E. Hazell, Brownsville, Edmonson county, Ky., 129,179

Miss Williams Smith, Elizabethtown, Hardin county, Ky., 7,752

Miss Nora Estelle Owings, Wolf Creek, Meade county, Ky., 352

DISTRICT NO. 14.

Eight counties: Allen, Barren, Green, Hart, Letcher, Taylor, Simpson and Warren.

Miss Anna Ford, Smith's Grove, Warren county, Ky., 187,193

Mrs. Ed N. Caldwell, Glasgow, Barren county, Ky., 105,145

Miss Maud Hardest, Tontieville, Letcher county, Ky., 22,937

DISTRICT NO. 15.

Ten counties: Carroll, Gallatin, Henry, Marion, Nelson, Owen, Shelby, Spencer and Trimble.

Miss Birdie Kelly, Lebanon, Owen county, Ky., 84,552

Miss Elsie Settle, Owenton, Owen county, Ky., 39,502

Miss Lulu Lovelace, Benton

CONCLAVE ENDS

With Election of Officers By Grand Commandery.

KNIGHTS' TEMPLAR LEAVE PARIS WELL PLEASED.

MAY RECEPTIONS MARK CLOSE OF BIG MEET.

MAYVILLE NEXT IN LINE.

Paris, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The third and last day of the fifty-ninth annual convocation of the Kentucky Knights Templar was ushered in with bright skies and a rising temperature. The festivities of the night preceding had brought nervous prostration to any of the plumed knights, and they were early out in force.

The morning hours, exclusive of the session of the Grand Commandery, which began at 10 o'clock, were devoted to the pleasurable social and fraternal calls at the headquarters of the local and visiting knights. After the strenuous day and night preceding, these social pleasures were in the nature of a relief, and were highly enjoyable. Impromptu levees and receptions were held everywhere, fair women and handsome men gathered in social pleasures on the streets, and the knights had possession of the city. One party of seven knights secured a dray, drawn by an aged mule, and, placing their ladies in the center, made a tour of the city in their dilapidated conveyance. With all their gayeties and good-natured fun, there was the best of order and the police had little or nothing to do.

At the session of the Grand Commandery in the morning, presided over by Eminent Grand Commander, E. R. S. Satterwhite, reports and regular business were disposed of and the following officers elected: Eminent Grand Commander, Thomas E. Kott, Mayville; Very Eminent Deputy Grand Commander, W. R. Johnson, Lebanon; Eminent Grand Treasurer, R. S. Satterwhite, Louisville; Eminent Grand Recorder, Albert H. Bryant, Covington; Eminent Grand Sergeant, Lee D. Ray, Owensboro; Eminent Grand Standard-bearer, Thomas P. Satterwhite, Louisville; Eminent Grand Sword-bearer, Mason F. Brown, Frankfort; Eminent Grand Warden, Charles E. Satterwhite, Louisville; Eminent Grand Captain of Guard, William E. Board, Paris.

Mayville Wins Fight.

Mayville and Ashland both aspired for the honor of entertaining the next convocation, Mayville finally being decided upon.

The afternoon programme was considerably curtailed, an exhibition drill arranged for 2 o'clock being postponed on account of the teams being short of their necessary numbers of men.

A largely-attended reception at the Elks' Club by Ashland Commandery, No. 28; a lawn party by Carlisle Commandery, No. 18, at the J. S. Wilson residence, and carriage rides about the city filled up the remainder of the afternoon. To-night the Couer de Leon Commandery, of Paris, entertained with a commandery ball at the Elks' Club.

The knights publicly expressed their delight and appreciation of the hospitality shown them by the people of Paris during their stay, and on all sides was heard the expression of regret that this had been one of the greatest meets in the history of the Kentucky Knights Templar. Dr. Ed Ray, of Pueblo, Col., a member of Paris Commandery, came to Paris, and drove miles especially to attend the gathering.

The Louisville knights return home on their special trains, leaving Paris at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning. Louisville, No. 1, and DeMolay, No. 12, with one or more prominent knights, the greatest little city in Central Kentucky, the traction company ran extra cars between Mann and the city every fifteen minutes to accommodate the traffic to and from the Bourbon College grounds, where DeMolay met all comers with a hearty reception, accompanied with all the social features that have made them conspicuous figures at all the preceding convocations.

GRACIOUS GIRL GRADUATES

Awarded Diplomas At Madison Institute.

Richmond, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The commencement exercises of the Madison Female Institute took place to-day at the Christian church, which was packed long before the hour for exercise to begin. The Rev. Carey E. Morgan, of the Paris (Ky.) Christian church, delivered the address to the graduating class of fourteen. The following were graduated: Frances E. Egle, Katherine Covington, Tabitha Collier, Dabney Feland, Bettie French, Helen Hendren, Alma Lackey, Sadie Mason, Cathryn Scott, Eva Smith, Louisa Wheeler, of Richmond, and Rose and Mary Hunter, of Louisville, and Charmie Fisher, of Cynthiana.

LOCUSTS IN MILLIONS

Add To Drouth To Cause Farmers To Worry.

Barbourville, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The unusually dry spell is working great injury to the crops in this section of the State. The weather has been so dry for nearly a month, and cereals have shown little growth in this time. This year a greater acreage than ever before has been devoted to agriculture. Some fear is now entertained for the wheat crop, because of the immense swarms of locusts, which have arrived by the millions.

QUICK SENTENCE FOR NEGRO.

Goes To Penitentiary For Ten Years For Attempted Assault.

Hickman, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—A black skinner, a negro porter, entered a plea of guilty to a charge of attempted assault on Miss Beulah Morrow, and only a few hours after his crime was sentenced to confinement in the penitentiary for ten years. Miss Morrow, who lives in this place, was en route home, and stopped overnight in Union City to make a connection. The negro entered her room twice, but each time was frightened away by her screams. He admitted his guilt when arrested.

SEVEN FELONY INDICTMENTS

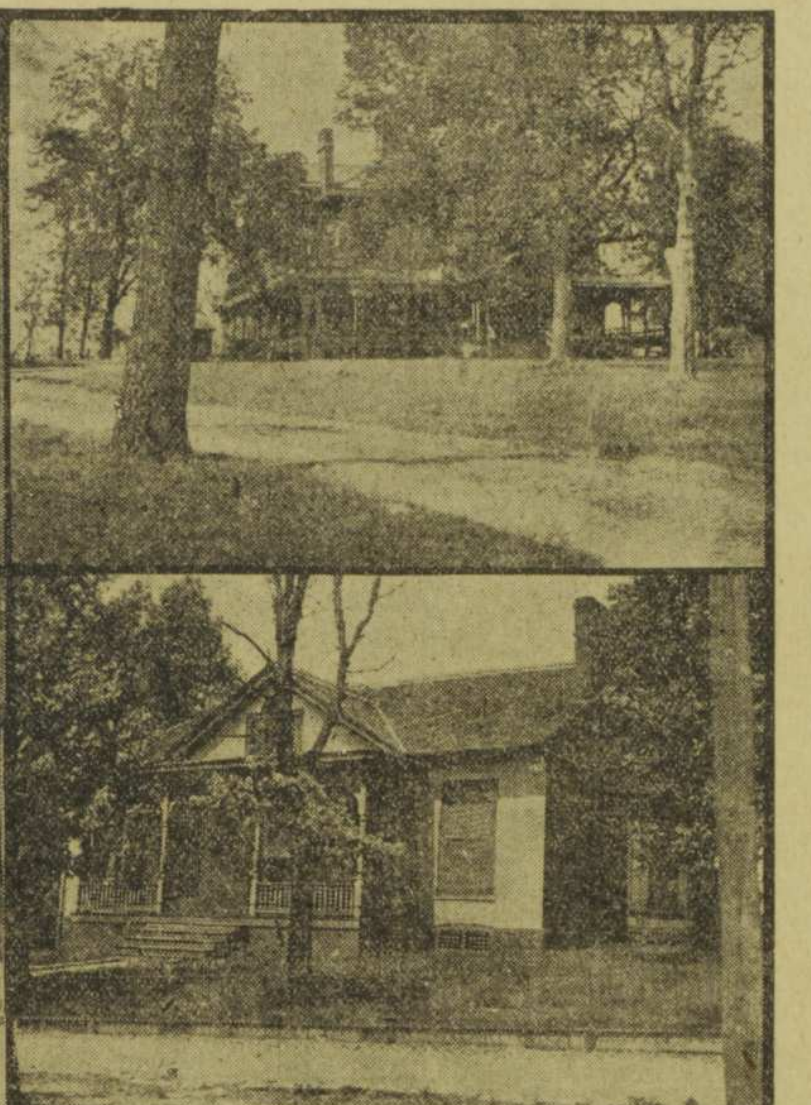
Returned By The Grand Jury At London.

London, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The Laurel county grand jury surpassed all former records to-day in the number of felony indictments returned. Seven were reported, as follows: Harvey Brashear, Del Nicholson and Oscar Milburn, each in a separate case for shooting and wounding Sam Roberts, malicious shooting at another. Charles Barnett, wounding with deadly

Handsomeness In Paris Used As Headquarters For Visiting Commanderies At Knights Templar Conclave



RESIDENCE OF MISS LUCY MILLER, HEADQUARTERS OF RICHMOND, KY. COMMANDERY.



RESIDENCE OF DR. FRANK WITHAM, HEADQUARTERS OF MAYSVILLE, KY. COMMANDERY.

weapon; Willie Hall, grand larceny, and Matt Bundy, housebreaking. Besides these a score of misdemeanors or indictments were returned.

INSECT BITE FATAL.

Well-Known Negro Woman Dies At Glasgow.

Glasgow, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Vine Hibbit, wife of Pete Hibbit, a well-known negro, living near Beckton, eight miles south of here, died in great agony last night from the bite of an insect three days before, and the negroes of that community are very much excited over the circumstance. The woman was working in the garden at her home when she was bitten on the fleshy part of the arm by an insect she claimed was a locust.

PIECE OF CEDAR IN LUNG

Causes the Death of Little Earl Ward At Glasgow.

Glasgow, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Earl Ward, aged five years, a son of Mr. W. S. Ward, of Elbow Springs, this county, died from the effects of getting a piece of cedar in his lung about two months ago while holding a cedar stick in his mouth. The little fellow suffered untold agony and gradually grew weaker until death relieved his sufferings.

Judge Holt's Funeral.

Cloverport, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The funeral services of Judge Holt were held at the Holt homestead this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. The burial was in the family graveyard. Judge Holt died yesterday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock as the result of a paralytic stroke, which he received some time ago. His wife and two daughters, Mrs. C. Lockett, of New York City, and Mrs. Walter Rose, of California, were at his bedside when death came. Though he traveled most of the time during the latter part of his life, every year he would return to his home at his native place, which place he owned on December 28, 1845. He was a nephew of the late Judge Holt, of Washington City, who left him part of his estate.

Home-Coming Committee.

Russellville, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The City Council has appointed the following committee to arrange for a Home-Coming Week, to follow the Home-Coming Week of Louisville: J. M. McCutchen, chairman; S. A. Bass, J. W. Edwards, R. W. Davis, R. Clark, Pat Ryan, J. C. Brannon, G. W. Morris, S. W. Linbaugh, Gaines Cooksey, Dr. B. Andrews, Judge T. B. Harrison, John S. Rhea and G. W. Brown. This committee has decided to have a Home-Coming at once that Local county prepares a fitting and appropriate welcome to those of their former citizens who live in other States.

Convicted As Accessory.

New Castle, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The jury in the case of Peter Briley, accused of being an accessory to the murder of Len Ballard, September 2, 1905, returned a verdict of guilty this morning, fixing his punishment at two years in the penitentiary. Briley's father, it was alleged, killed Ballard, and the boy was accused of abetting by standing by. The elder Briley escaped immediately after the shooting and was never captured. A reward of \$500 is outstanding against him.

Dies After Long Illness.

Central City, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Mrs. Gertrude Clements Marks, wife of Lee Marks, secretary of the Central City Ice and Cold Storage Company, died this morning after a long illness of consumption, at the age of twenty-three years. The funeral will be held on Friday from the Baptist church in this city, and the burial will take place at Mercer Station.

Col. McMillin Dead.

Glasgow, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Col. McMillin died suddenly at his home near here of dropsy, aged seventy-six. He was Colonel of the militia in antebellum days, when the fighting men of the county were called together annually at the May muster for drill and inspection, and was at one time a man of considerable property. He is survived by a wife and two children.

Big Damage Suit On Trial.

New Castle, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The case of Joseph Hoskins against the city of Glasgow for \$20,000 damages for the death of plaintiff's son, Leonard C. Hoskins, is on trial in the Circuit Court today. Hoskins was killed by a train at Ninth and Oak streets in Louisville.

College Initial Presentation.

Barbourville, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Friday night at an informal reception seventeen "U's" will be presented to the students of Union College by the Athletic Association. The "U's" will be awarded to those who have made the best records in football, baseball and track teams.

Decision Against Annexation.

New Castle, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—Judge Peak in Circuit Court to-day rendered a decision in the annexation case, refusing to allow the board of trustees to extend the city limits.

RAIN NEEDED.

Bluegrass In Midst of Severe Drouth.

CORN AND OTHER CROPS ALREADY DAMAGED.

H. F. HILLENMEYER SEES HOPE FOR CEREALS.

TOBACCO PLANTING DELAYED.

Lexington, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—The farmers of the Bluegrass region are seriously alarmed over the drouth which has never before prevailed in the memory of the "oldest inhabitant" to such an extent this early. There has been practically no rain for two months, and corn has shriveled up, gardens have been unproductive and there is really serious fear felt for all the crops except wheat.

Magistrate W. B. Skinner, one of the best known and most successful farmers of Fayette county, believes that corn, oats and gardens are already in imminent danger of ruin unless rain comes within a few days.

H. F. Hillenmeyer, the oldest nurseryman of the Bluegrass, and who is considered the highest authority on the weather and crops, is, however, not so pessimistic. Said Mr. Hillenmeyer to-day:

"This is the severest drouth at this time of the year we have had since 1887. It almost equals the drouth of 1884. It has been extended to fifty-five days and has been terribly severe on some crops. But it isn't at all as bad as it seems. In 1896 there was an early drouth almost equal to this, but the damage was far from being as great as it was feared it would be. As it is oats and wheat severely injured, perhaps absolutely destroyed. Wheat is not seriously hurt. Corn is not hurt. In 1896 the corn crop was a big one, in spite of the severe drouth. Tobacco is small, but not damaged. Strawberries are terribly damaged, the plants lying on the ground. The drouth has been beneficial to grapes, which are doing well and all tree fruits are in good condition. The bluegrass seed crop will be short. Clover is smaller than it should be. 'Though some things are badly hurt, the damage generally is not beyond redemption. The wind is getting south and there is hope for rain. If that comes it will be astonishing the way everything will start up again.'"

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Respect Shown Member of Bar.

The Circuit Court adjourned to-day and to-morrow out of respect to J. H. Beauchamp, a member of the bar, who died yesterday morning. A meeting was held by the bar, and committees were appointed to report to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

The Committee on Resolutions in Judge Matt Walton, Judge J. R. Morton, Judge James H. Mulligan, Commiswealth's Attorney John R. Allen and T. T. Forman.

The Committee on Floral Designs is for Matt Walton and Attorney George S. Shanklin.

Mr. Beauchamp's funeral will take place to-morrow afternoon at 4:15 o'clock at the family residence on Twenty-fifth street.

The Rev. Edwin Muller, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, will conduct the services, and the interment will be in the Lexington cemetery.

Cardinal Sancha, Archbishop of Toledo, has been officially designated to perform the marriage.

Woodlawn, one of the most beautiful country estates in this county and which was the property of the late Col. R. B. Metcalfe, was to-day transferred to Capt. E. T. Barnett, the millionaire mining king and banker, of Fairbanks, Alaska. The place contains 301 acres and the price paid was \$62,000. The legal entanglements of title, which were caused by claimants in the West, who alleged they were

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How practically everybody at the National Capital is enthusiastically devoted to the motor car. The story itself is of great interest, but it is made even more attractive by pictures of many prominent people "caught in the act" of motoring.

This is only one of the many attractive features to be secured in next Sunday's issue. The last installment of Robert Barr's fascinating story "A Rock in the Baltic" will appear. There will be another of George Ade's inimitable letters from "pastures new." The political situation in Russia is discussed in a most interesting manner by Frederic Haskin. A sketch of Samuel Untermyer, the great Eastern lawyer, who is in the thick of the insurance war, will be given. Facts about the many awful catastrophes of the past seven years will be presented with startling emphasis.

And a vast amount of reading in addition to all of these features, including departments for women and children, the latest theatrical news, a full comic supplement, etc., will be given the readers of

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had to-morrow morning to which time the court adjourned.

Mangled By Train.

Williamsburg, Ky., May 24.—William Petty, a brakeman on a freight train, was found dead this morning about twenty miles south of here. It is supposed he fell off the train and was not missed until the train reached here. The body was horribly mangled.

REPUBLICANS CALLED

TO SELECT TIME FOR NOMINATING CANDIDATE.

Meet In Bowling Green On June 6—Two Want To Go To Congress.

Bowling Green, Ky., May 24.—[Special.]—A call was made to-day for the Third District Republican Executive Committee to meet in this city on Thursday, June 6, to decide on the time, manner and place for nominating a candidate for Congress in this district. J. Frank Taylor, of Glasgow, is chairman of the committee, and W. R. Speck, of this city, secretary. The committee is composed of the chairmen of the different county committees of the district. Nothing has yet been learned as to what date will be fixed for the convention. There are two candidates in the field for the nomination, A. J. Oliver, of Scottsville, and Robert Baker, of Central City. Baker is a member of the Louisville Republican Club, and has been before the road Commission and demanded cheaper freight rates and better depot accommodations. The latter question was being heard by the Commissioners to-day by the Commissioners.

May Move Roundhouse.

The city of Bowling Green and the Louisville and Nashville railroad have not been on the most friendly terms for years, and from a pleading filed in the local courts, it looks like the Park City will be made more of a flag station than the largest and most prominent town on the road between Louisville and Nashville. The local Business Men's Club has been before the road Commission and demanded cheaper freight rates and better depot accommodations. The latter question was being heard by the Commissioners to-day by the Commissioners.

Couldn't Identify Him.

Mr. McKittick declared that he did not know the man who had given him this money, that he had not since seen him; that he did not believe he would be able to identify the man and further that he did not know for what purpose the money was given him nor for what source it came.

At this point District Attorney Van Hook requested W. P. Kelby, Thomas' clerk, to stand up, and pointing to Kelby, asked of the witness:

"Do you not know, I do not believe I could identify the man," replied Mr. McKittick.

In reply to a direct question Mr. McKittick said that he had at various times received money from "unknown sources." Witness then detailed the receipt of the money in his New York office from an unknown man. Continuing he said that some of the money had been received by express. In this manner, he said, his firm had within four or five years received about \$10,000, during which time they had paid out \$480,000 in freight charges.

Hugh McKittick testified to receiving \$2,000 in an express package at their office in New York in 1902, and McKittick said that he had at various times received money from "unknown sources." Witness then detailed the receipt of the money in his New York office from an unknown man. Continuing he said that some of the money had been received by express. In this manner, he said, his firm had within four or five years received about \$10,000, during which time they had paid out \$480,000 in freight charges.

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Several officials of the Burlington Railway were examined as to the payment of the money, and also laying out money to obtain sufficient track room to make up trains to remain closed, motion to quash and dismiss proceedings to build a county road across the line, and N's track at Memphis Junction.

Summer Vacation

Where?

Thousands have the question answered to their complete satisfaction by that magic word:

HORRIBLE DEATH.

Sixteen-Year-Old Girl Fatally Burned.

DAUGHTER OF FREDERICK JOHNS, INDIANA FARMER.

FATHER RUSHES TO THE RESCUE TOO LATE.

DIES IN GREAT AGONY.

A report came to New Albany yesterday of the horrible death of Miss Lella Johns, the sixteen-year-old daughter of Frederick Johns, a wealthy farmer of Taylor township, who died of burns. Miss Johns was engaged in burning some trash about 200 yards from the farmhouse, when the fire caught her clothing. On discovering this, she became frightened and ran toward the house, fanning the flame as she went.

After running a short distance, she fell and her father, accompanied by one of the men on the place, who were working some distance away, hastened to her assistance. When they reached her, the clothing was almost burned off, and her body and face were badly scorched. She was carried to the house and cooling lotions applied, but after suffering intense agony, she died several hours later.

Escape of the Rev. Mr. McKinney.

After the earthquake at San Francisco, it was feared that the Rev. Preston McKinney and Mrs. McKinney, former residents of Corydon, had lost their lives, as nothing could be heard from them. A few days ago it was learned that they lived in the danger zone and their house was surrounded by fire on three sides, their escape being made with the greatest difficulty. The Rev. Mr. McKinney, who was married several years ago, had to be hauled away in a conveyance, for which a fee of \$50 was demanded. They are now in Berkeley, where the family of the Rev. H. L. Stern, also a resident of Corydon, Mrs. McKinney was formerly Miss Alice McGrath, a sister of Mrs. W. G. Graham and of Maj. Harry McGrath.

Form Needlework Guild.

At a meeting held by the women of New Albany at the home of Mrs. George H. Devoe, 601 East Main street, a branch of the Needlework Guild was organized. The work was presented by Mrs. Douglas Morton and Mrs. Isabella Lloy, president and secretary of the branch. One section was formed with Mrs. William B. Hardy as president; Miss E. W. Kelly, secretary and treasurer, and Messadams Geo. H. Devoe, Benjamin S. Bull and Mary Ausch, directors. Other sections may be formed within the next few months. The object of the Needlework Guild is to collect and distribute new, plain and suitable clothing among the needy and destitute of the city.

Ice Plant For Corydon.

The Elmer Davis Company, with a capital of \$100,000, has been organized at Corydon for the purpose of operating a factory for the production of ice, together with a cold storage and packing plant. The object of the company is to buy and sell live stock and engage in the packing business. It is the intention to greatly increase the capacity of the present plant and to collect and distribute new, plain and suitable clothing among the needy and destitute of the city.

Will of Miss Lizetta Willenburgh.

The will of Miss Lizetta Willenburgh, of Nashville, who died a few days ago, was probated in the Floyd Circuit Court at New Albany yesterday. She devised to her sister, Mrs. Josephine Kiefer, a note of \$300, made July 3, 1905, by her brother, Clem Willenburgh, and payable in five years. The executor is made, the will recites, on account of the care and protection given the testatrix by the beneficiary during the last years of her life. The estate of her property also is devised to Mrs. Kiefer, and her husband, Jacob N. Kiefer, is nominated executor. The will and estate, the will was made May 15, 1905, the witnesses being Fred N. Kimberger and George A. Smith.

ITEMS OF INTEREST IN NEW ALBANY.

Mrs. Mamie Kolb is here from New Orleans to spend a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. Andrews Schlosser, East Spring street.

Excursion to Indianapolis and return, Sunday, May 27, via "Big Four Route." Special train leaves Seventeenth street at 8 o'clock.

Miss Carrie M. Schweitzer and Andrew J. Leibert, young people of Harrison county, were married by the Rev. J. B. Clark at Corydon, Wednesday night.

Judge John H. Weather, of this city, will deliver the principal address at the Memorial-day observance, held June 3, at Corydon by Graham Camp, Modern Woodmen of America.

On account of the absence of witnesses, the case of the State against Thomas Lowry, who is charged with stealing \$1 from Elsa Walker, was continued in the City Court until next Monday.

Judge John M. Paris, of the City Court, has accepted an invitation from the Masonic and Odd Fellows lodges to deliver the oration at that place next Sunday afternoon.

Work will be resumed in the big foundry on Culbertson avenue, near Fourth street, of Vertegre, Gohmann & Co. this morning, after a stoppage of three days, during which time necessary repairs were made.

In the Floyd Circuit Court yesterday, Anna M. Esle was granted a divorce from John Esle, on proof of habitual drunkenness, cruel treatment and failure to provide. Alimony in the amount of \$50 was allowed the plaintiff.

Elmer E. Engelman, of DePauw, and Miss Emma E. Ferguson, of Minerva, were married at the Clerk's office in English a few days ago, the ceremony having been performed by Elder F. R. Davis, of Charleston, Ind.

Albert M. son of Mr. and Mrs. Marlen Livers, died Wednesday night at the home of his parents, 40 West Seventh street. Funeral services were held at the family home yesterday afternoon and the burial was in Fairview.

The funeral of Mrs. Ruth C. Rumble took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from her niece, Mrs. Ruth E. Fox, 24 Vincennes street. Services were conducted by the Rev. Samuel R. Bland and the burial was in Fairview.

The damage suit brought by Dora Mead against the Eastern Railway Company has been dismissed by the plaintiff. The suit was taken to the Circuit Court here and taken to Clark county on a change of venue.

The Rev. Frank T. Porter, pastor of the Park Christian church, has gone to Corydon, where he will conduct services for the congregation of the Christian church at that place, which has been without a pastor for some time.

Stella Black, aged thirteen years, was arrested by Probation Officer Joseph H. Kraft for continuing and incorporeating. She was arrested before Judge J. H. Kraft, sitting as juvenile judge, and on petition of her friends was released.

Lea P. Lyndon, J. W. Dunbar, Charles F. Markmeyer, Judge John M.

CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS IN EIGHTH DISTRICT.

JUDGE JOHN W. HUGHES, Of Mercer county.

Paris, L. B. Huckleby, Charles Elder and Dr. Chester Funk returned yesterday from Indianapolis, where they had been attending the Masonic Grand Lodge.

Mrs. Nettie Edmondson, wife of Mitchell Edmondson, formerly of Harrison county, died a few days ago at her home in Payne county, Oklahoma, of consumption, after a long illness. She was thirty-five years old, and was survived by her husband and seven children.

Kate Stallings and Stella Worden pleaded guilty to charges of having poured kerosene down, and they were fined \$1 each by Judge Eagle and sent to jail in default of payment. The Stallings girl was arrested by Patrolman Fess and the other by Patrolman McLoughlin.

The Board of Health yesterday condemned the gutter on West Market street, between Fifth and Sixth, and reported the matter to the Board of Public Works that body will take steps at once to have the gutter cleaned and to have a new curbstone when the city will have a new brick gutter constructed.

Stockholders of the Louisville, New Albany and Corydon Railway Company met in Corydon and elected officers as follows: Directors, McKinley Boyle, Andrew B. McKinley, Anna Boyle, G. W. Appleton, Sr., L. Miller, Lewis Boyle and Edward Mitchell; president, McKinley Boyle; vice president, Andrew B. McKinley; secretary, Edward Mitchell.

An inspection of Company C, Indiana National Guard, will be held at the Armory on Pearl street next Monday night, at which time the members will receive pay for the United States inspection. Veterans of the Spanish-American War and former members of Company C are invited to be present in order that arrangements may be made for observing Memorial day.

Mrs. Rosa Studer, of Dubois county, has brought suit against Jasper Gutzwiller, a saloonkeeper at Jasper, to recover the cost of her husband's medical expenses, which was filed in the Dubois Circuit Court at Jasper, that her son, Edwin, a minor, had become involved in serious trouble at Jasper, and this was caused on account of liquor having been sold to him by Gutzwiller, the defendant.

Statistics for 1905, issued by the Insurance Press, of New York City, show the total amount of life insurance paid out in Indiana last year to have been \$2,322. Of this sum, \$1,000,000 was paid to beneficiaries in Indiana, and of these there were two in New Albany—Bradley to the estate of Matthias Klarsfeld, \$12,000, and to the estate of Lawrence Bradley, \$12,000.

The Rev. and Mrs. F. C. Fato will leave this morning for Newport, Ky., to attend the convention of the Christian Endeavor Society of Kentucky. The Rev. Mr. Fato will deliver an address before the convention on "Christian Endeavor in America." They will remain in Newport until next Monday and Sunday morning, Mr. Fato will occupy the pulpit of the Methodist church of that city, upon invitation of the pastor.

FERTILIZER INVESTIGATION COST JUST \$7,500.

Federal Grand Jury At Nashville Concludes Work—Report Not Yet Made.

Nashville, Tenn., May 24.—[Special.]—After examining 133 witnesses at the expense of something like \$7,500 in fees and mileage, the Federal grand jury has concluded its investigation into the alleged fertilizer trust. It is expected the report will be filed tomorrow. Judge Lorton is here to receive the report.

No tired Brains when Grape-Nuts food is used.

FACT!!!

Bread dyspepsia is common. It affects the bowels because white bread is nearly all starch, and starch is digested in the stomach, not in the stomach proper.

Under the shell of the wheat berry Nature has provided a curious deposit which, when the starch is removed, is subjected to the saliva and to the pancreatic juices in the human intestines.

In this way the starchy part is transformed into grape-sugar, which is the next form, but that part of the wheat berry makes dark flour, and the modern miller cannot readily sell dark flour, so nature's valuable digester is thrown out and the human system must handle the starch as best it can, without the help that Nature intended.

Small wonder that appendicitis, peritonitis, constipation, and other troubles exist when we go on copious quantities of Nature's law. The food experts of the past knew this, and they prepared a food of the entire wheat and barley, including all the parts, and subjected these facts to modern scientific tests, which have shown that continued warmth, which allows time and proper conditions for developing the diastase, outside of the human body.

In this way the starchy part is transformed into grape-sugar in a perfectly natural manner, without the use of chemicals, and the result is Grape-Nuts. The little sparkling crystals of grape-sugar can be seen on the pieces of Grape-Nuts. This food therefore is naturally pre-digested and its use in place of bread will quickly correct the troubles that have been brought about by the too free use of starch in the food, and that is very common in the human race today.

The effect of eating Grape-Nuts ten days or two weeks and the discomforts of ordinary white bread is very marked. The user will gain rapidly in strength and physical and mental health.

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FOR TWO YEARS

Temporary Divorce Granted In Jeffersonville.

MRS. ALBERT SMITH RECEIVES LIMITED DECREE.

FATHER GIVEN PRIVILEGE TO VISIT CHILD.

INCOMPATIBILITY THE CAUSE.

Under an act adopted by the General Assembly, of the State of Indiana, on February 28, 1903, a limited divorce was granted in the Clark Circuit Court, in Jeffersonville, to Mrs. Nellie B. Smith, from Albert Smith, the decree being made by Judge Harry C. Montgomery yesterday afternoon within an hour of the filing of the papers.

The plaintiff in the action is the daughter of William Barnett, of Charleston, a member of a prominent family, and the defendant is a business man of Louisville. The decree was for two years and the alleged ground was incompatibility of temper. Custody of the child, a son, Smith, aged four years, is given to the mother, with permission to the father to see him from time to time, and cohabitation of the couple during the term is declared a misdemeanor, punishable with fine and possible imprisonment. The decree may be revoked by the court at any time. The decree is no bar to the suing for absolute divorce.

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In Conference When Congress Adjourns.

QUARANTINE APPROPRIATION CERTAINLY LOST.

WOULD ASSIST SOUTH IN YELLOW FEVER FIGHT.

TEXAS OPPOSES PASSAGE.

Washington, D. C., May 24.—[Special.]—After a short session during which just that much time was wasted, the conference committee on the Quarantine bill adjourned to the call of the chairman. This means that there will not be another meeting and the bill will die in conference if its opponents on the committee have their way. The whole proceeding is just a trifle more outrageous than any other legislative effort attempted in Washington in a long while. The bill carries five hundred thousand dollars to assist the states in keeping out the dread scourge "yellow fever." It was put through the House early in the session by the Democratic leadership, Representative Williams. Practically the only opposition it had was from the Texas delegation. Texas has heretofore escaped yellow fever, and through the agency of liberal quarantine laws, has managed to get rid of any such ailment from Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, and other States which have been compelled to rightly enforce their quarantine laws during yellow fever epidemics. It is little short of disgraceful that such commercial influences should exerted with yellow fever is liable to put in an appearance at any time.

Up To Commissioner.

With the passage of the free alcohol bill, the work in connection therewith will be transferred from the capitol to the office of Commissioner of Internal Revenue Yerkes, who, under the terms of the bill, is empowered to draw up regulations to carry out the bill. It is expected that the bill will not be effective until January 1, the commissioner has plenty of time to consider the subject and will probably be late in the year before he issues complete details of the new law, which it is considered will be of so much benefit to the people of the country. Ordinarily the bill would not have had the slightest chance for passage owing to the opposition of the Standard Oil Company. The great victory won by the bill on the floor of the House is a good omen and they withdrew all objections to the bill.

Immigration Control In South.

Through an amendment placed upon the immigration bill by Senator McCleary, the Commissioner of Immigration is to appoint a commissioner at New Orleans to discharge the same duties of other immigration officers at their respective posts. The Kentucky Senator called the attention of the Senate to the apparent injustice of being placed in the hands of a single officer of immigration. He referred to the fact that the seven immigration commissioners now in the United States were from Northern States, and he urged that New Orleans have a commissioner from the South.

Republicans and Democrats.

Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, the former chairman of the Republican Congressional Committee, and his Board of Public Works asked us not to build the track, thus destroying the paved street. He said that he had no other way in deference to their wishes we made arrangements to do so at a cost to ourselves that we are not under obligations to do so. The bill is now in the hands of the Senate and it is expected that it will be passed in the near future.

Fought President's Coachman.

C. F. Boykin, the manager of a stock company, filling an engagement at the "Theater" in this city, was fined \$10 in the Police Court this morning. The President's carriage horses were prancing on the flagging of the alley adjoining the "Theater" this morning. The President's carriage horses were prancing on the flagging of the alley adjoining the "Theater" this morning.

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The President was informed by Senator Allen today that the Governor of Delaware has received assurances from the warring Addicks and anti-Addicks combatants that they have temporarily buried the hatchet and are now standing in the way of filling Delaware's long continued vacancy in the Senate. According to Senator Allen, the Governor will call an extra session next month and Col. H. A. du Pont, the millionaire gunpowder manufacturer, will come to the Senate.

"Harvey's" Sold.

"Harvey's" the famous sea-food restaurant in Washington, has been sold by its proprietor for \$170,000, and will be operated by a new management. The name of Harvey's has been known not only to the epicures of Washington, but to those of the entire country. His place of business has been more visited by public men than any other establishment of similar kind in this city.

No White House Democrats.

One thing sure, there are no more reports that the White House of Rhode Island is the boss of the east end of the avenue. The President has a stenographer behind a convenient screen when he talked with Senator Chandler yesterday. The stenographer was trained to transcribe just what the President desired.

Washington Notes.

It is now in order for one of the Kentucky delegation to take the floor and move that the adjournment in time for the Joyous Homecoming festival in Kentucky. If all the members and bloody ground, they are at least fond of the products of the grand old Commonwealth.

Driftwood.

The City of Louisville makes her usual popular low-rate round trip excursion to the falls and the city of Cincinnati on a 6 o'clock train. The excursion will leave at 4 p. m. for Cincinnati and will return at 4 p. m. for Louisville. The excursion will be held on the 26th and 27th inst.

EIGHTH-STREET GARMENT FACTORY DAMAGED BY FIRE.

Joseph Loeb & Co., Victims of An Early Morning Blaze—Loss \$3,500—Fully Insured.

Fire, which broke out under a boiler on the third floor of the store and shirt shop-up on the corner of Eighth and Main streets, at 3:30 o'clock yesterday morning caused a loss of about \$3,500. The fire broke out in the boiler room, and the fire spread to the stock and machinery. The loss is fully covered by insurance. Men were busy all day yesterday at the place cleaning away the results of the fire, and Mr. Loeb said he hoped the city's five women and girls who had been thrown out of employment would return to their work tomorrow.

BY SPECIAL REQUEST

MONON OFFICIALS SAY THEY FAILED TO BUILD TRACK.

Former City Administration Wished To Protect Street—Councilmen Investigating.

W. H. Newman, division freight agent of the Monon railroad, said last night that his company had not built a track on Fourteenth street from Main street to Duane street, as the officials of the last city administration had asked that it be deferred if possible. He said the cause was to avoid placing the street in bad condition.

Inquiry into the franchise of the Monon railroad, which is now under the control of the Board of Commissioners, concerning the failure on the part of the railroad to comply with all the provisions of the franchise ordinance granted in June, 1903, will be continued probably to-day or tomorrow.

In a report given to the Board of Public Works and referred to the Board of Commissioners, the City Attorney has complied with all the provisions of the franchise with the exception of not having laid a track on the west line of Fourteenth street from the southwest corner of the intersection of Duane street to the north line of Market street.

RIVER AND WEATHER

LONGITUDE AND LATITUDE OF LOUISVILLE.

Latitude, 38° 15' N. Longitude, 85° 45' W. From Greenwich.

RIVER TELEGRAMS.

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and to Detroit. It makes this company strong competitors of the Vanderbilts.

The coming consolidation of the surface traction lines of Chicago by the New York syndicate headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., a transaction involving at least \$100,000,000, and the probabilities, as seen at this time, are that the consummation will not long be delayed, and that the New York interests identified with the properties are hopeful of an early and amicable settlement between the Chicago city authorities and the traction companies. And when this is accomplished the rest will be easy. Of course the great object of interest at the present time is the Union Traction Company. Under present conditions most of the underlying companies of this corporation shows a surplus that is available to form income for the Union company. The West Chicago street railroad and the North Chicago railway, according to the reports published in the New York Commercial, show surpluses considerably over \$1,000,000, but the deficit of the Union Traction company, a corporation formed to take over seven electric lines of the Yerkes system in North and West Chicago, took up \$118,484 of the surpluses of the other companies, leaving \$835,000 for the maintenance of the North and West Chicago systems. It has been observed that the ratio of operating expenses to gross earnings in the case of the other two companies was rather high in the last fiscal year. It has been alleged that were the roads out of a receivership they could be operated on a much more economical basis. The figures given below show the operating ratio of the three companies, as well as the gross earnings and operating expenses.

	Operating Ratio.	Gross Earnings.	Operating Expenses.
North Chicago.....	82.2	\$ 2,245,514	\$ 1,845,514
West Chicago.....	69.3	5,693,016	3,938,158
Consol. Traction.....	70.0	1,695,708	1,123,591

Henry D. Huntington has given orders to begin work immediately on the four-car route along Long Beach line of the Pacific railway for a distance of eighty miles. This will give Los

Angled the only rail-truck trolley line west of New York. The need for two tracks can be figured from the fact that the Pacific Electric Railway is running more than 600 cars a day over the Long Beach line and connections, and traffic is becoming more congested daily.

An illustration has been given during the past two months of restoration of equilibrium in the four great money markets of the world, London, Paris, Berlin and New York. That is without precedent for the rapidity with which the end desired was accomplished, says the Wall Street Journal. The New York money market was the origin of the restoration, April 14. Four days later came the San Francisco earthquake and fire. This caused an extraordinary demand for cash upon the New York banks, which they met by drawing funds through gold imports, without advancing rates for coin money above 6 per cent, and the average rate has been about 2 1/2 per cent. The conference may be conceded that the San Francisco disaster would in time have brought to New York an equal, and perhaps greater, amount of gold. If Secretary Shaw had not followed the policy of facilitating gold imports by special United States deposits against engagements for gold for import. But in face of the urgent requirements of the San Francisco element of time was all important. The stringency of money early in April was caused by large shipments of cash to the interior at the planting season. If the money market had engaged for import had not been anticipated by the special United States deposits it would have been impossible for the New York banks to meet all the demands of San Francisco without causing a stringency in the money market here that would have been felt all over the

Preliminary plans for a municipal street railway system for Seattle, Wash., have been prepared and will be submitted to a vote of the people of that city the latter part of July. The Seattle Times takes the following view of the situation:

"Should the electors of Seattle vote for municipal ownership of street railway lines at the election to be held the latter part of July, it will be the two years before the city's trolley lines could turn and four years before a territory as great or greater than that occupied by the Seattle Electric Company could be covered by the municipal system. This statement is made in the most positive language by men in the City Engineer's office and by business engineers who are more or less conversant with electric transportation. If the people should vote to adopt municipal ownership, therefore, it would be at least four years before any substantial street railway lines through territory now covered by the Seattle Electric Company could be made. For that length of time the city would be left to remain in an undeveloped state.

"To the past three months petitions by the seors from improvement clubs, property owners and residents have come to the electric company and to the Council asking that existing street car lines be extended to reach outlying territory that is growing rapidly and in need of transportation facilities. The Council has adopted a policy, in view of the approaching special election, of not granting any permits for extensions of lines or franchises for new lines to the company until the municipal system is settled by the electors. Should the city system be chosen by the people—a course of action that is honored very improbably—the Seattle Electric Company would, of course, not desire to make any extensions or permit extensions in its car lines to meet a competitive system of the city and for a number of years Seattle's growth toward the outskirts would be at a complete standstill."

The earnings of the Detroit United Railway Company for the month of April were \$100,000.

and nearly 25 per cent. greater than they were for the corresponding month four years ago. In this period of four years the company has, of course, increased its mileage, and has spent a good deal of money on various improvements, but nevertheless the earnings have increased at a very satisfactory rate, and the solidity of the company has strengthened. The increase of April earnings over last year amounted to \$56,001 for gross and \$31,100 for net. This is the best result obtained for this month in the course of several years. In the following table are shown the increases in gross and net earnings, as well as an increase in the operating charges for the first four months of the current fiscal year:

	Increase, Gross.	Increase, Net.	Surplus.
April,	\$56,001	\$31,100	\$29,272
March,	45,802	19,329	18,800
February,	56,075	34,420	33,582
January,	51,445	29,452	26,017
Total increases,	\$221,074	\$125,903	\$118,671

The increases for the four months, which are equal, respectively, to 12.3 per cent., 24.1 per cent. and 71 per cent. in the cases of gross, net and surplus, after charging for depreciation, and are all the better in character because they have been accumulated fairly gradually over the whole period. The first three months of the year were almost hopelessly abnormal, and particularly favorable for operation, but the abnormality does not show for the present because the increases in earnings continue at a rate that is even faster than in the earlier months of the year.

The Georgia Railway and Electric reports earnings as follows:

	1905.	1904.	Inc.
April gross,	\$2,35,372	\$292,331	\$33,040
April net,	122,129	106,804	15,324

The Chicago Railway Company has completed its plan for reducing the Illinois and Michigan bonds, amounting to \$700,000, of which \$170,000 have been sold to holders and \$480,000 are up as security for a \$500,000 loan. The general plan is agreed upon, and includes an issue of about \$500,000 4 per cent. collateral trust bonds, secured by all the prop-

stockholders' meeting will be called within ten days to be held within thirty days from that date in Jersey City, when the plan will in all likelihood be ratified.

The Atchafon, Tropicana and Santa Fe Railway Company has authorized the expenditure of \$3,000,000 for new equipment. At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee it was decided to buy fifty locomotives and 2,500 cars. Business of the company has increased to such an extent that the present equipment is insufficient. It is said that the \$3,000,000 needed for the new equipment will be paid out of earnings and from the money on hand.

MARKET LETTERS.

New York.—There is a better feeling noted in important circles. The technical situation is very much improved also, and we think a more aggressive bullish position on secured stocks now advisable. Irregularity will doubtless continue, but the betting money

